

REMARKS

The text of the specification and drawings have been amended commensurate with the amendments in the prior application.

Applicant hereby requests consideration of the application in light of the amendments and remarks contained herein. New claims 12-17 have been provided for consideration. Claims 1-17 are pending in this application.

Applicant respectfully requests formal examination of claims 1-4 in view of the Wu et al. reference (US 5,906,001) as described in the Notice of Allowability dated July 8, 2003 in the parent application.


Applicants also have amended independent claims 5 and 6 to more clearly define their claimed inventions. Dependent claims 7-11 have been amended to correspond with the amendments of claim 6. New claims 12-17 are submitted for examination.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2025, under Order No. 10970696-3, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

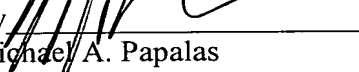
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